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**RIDGES AND HOLLERS/
Mid-Year Report**
**Rev. D. Cal Brand,
Regional Director**

[The following is the report as presented at the September 28, 2007 Regional Business Meeting in Akron, OH.]

Since the first of the year I have had the opportunity to visit four centers and have another visit on my schedule. Several of these were in the context of educational consultations so I served as a member of the committee.

You may recall that I jumped the gun last spring when I reported that you needed to change your student handbooks for the procedure of handling complaints. The change is now scheduled to take place January 2008. During the Pilot Project, I understand that complaints which are not resolved in the local center will be referred to Teresa Snorton, our ACPE Executive Director. However, watch for announcements from the Accreditation and Professional Ethics commissions for more details.

We seem to have survived Teresa's sabbatical and she is back in her office refreshed and stimulated. As you have the opportunity, extend some appreciation for how well Deryck and the national office staff managed to keep things going without her.

I did actually retire from the 1st Presbyterian Church of Columbus, IN on April 11. I am grateful for the wonderful opportunity to practice my pastoral care and the chance to give something back to the congregation that got me started in the ministry. But I am glad to have

more time for family, house remodeling, and tending to ECR business. This has included making contact with folks who have fallen behind with their Peer Review process. I am happy to report that the list is smaller, but want to remind you all to keep up to date. Not counting approximately a dozen that will be delinquent by the end of the year, we have a baker's dozen that will be due in 2008.

The North Central Region sponsored a *Summit on Supervision*. Our region was well represented both in terms of making a contribution and in terms of bringing some good stuff back to the region. I'd like to thank **Ann Letson, Walter Jackson, Bill Scrivener and Mary Burks-Price** for making that event.

And here's a bit of exciting news! After much neglect, we currently have a request for funding for a research project from **Yoke Lye Lim**.

The eighth world congress of the International Council of Pastoral Care and Counseling was held in Krzyzowa, Poland. **Ted Hodge** attended as the official ACPE representative. My wife, Donna and I attended because we are retired and wanted to go. The theme of this gathering was **"TREASURE IN EARTHEN VESSELS: Care of Souls facing Fragility and Destruction - Individual and Systemic Perspectives."** We learned a lot and made many new friends in this international expression of the pastoral care movement.

There are some changes of note in the region. **Marla Coulter-McDonald** has moved from St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis to Christ Hospital in Cincinnati. **Rhonda Gilligan-Gillespie** is moving from Upper Valley in Troy, OH to St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis. **Joe Roberts** was certified Associate Supervisor in San Francisco and **Evans Mulima** is now an ACPE Supervisor. **Don**

Chase received word that his position papers passed; Don and Frank Woggon are on their way to meet committees in Dallas next month. Amy Greene is joining us from Georgia. She will be serving with Dennis Kenny at the Cleveland Clinic. And Barbara Means is offering CPE at Community Hospital in Indianapolis through a relationship with Clarian Health. Finally, Virginia Lane has relocated to University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City, Iowa.

We've had some losses. Jack Shepherd's wife, Rose died. Joan Lyke's father and sister-in-law died. Carol Green's mother died. And Powell Royster died. We also have some folk facing serious illness. Gene Reddel was diagnosed with a quite rare form of cancer earlier this year, Stan Mullin will likely have surgery for prostate cancer soon, and Susan Kyser seems to be winning her battle with cancer. Bob McGeeney's fiancée, Marge, is facing a difficult recovery from pulmonary disease, and Daryl Hanson's wife, Mary is facing serious ongoing health problems. Mary Burks-Price continues to make frequent trips to Alabama to visit her parents as her father has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's.

I don't want to single her out – she hates to be singled out – but I want to express my sympathy, support and appreciation for Joan Lyke. As noted above this has been a very difficult summer for her. I know she has valued the support and prayers of many in the region. And through it all, she kept in touch and did those things she felt needed to be done for our region. Thanks and God bless, Joan.

Peace, Cal Brand ☺

NOMINATIONS PROCESS

One of the goals highlighted in our visioning process two years ago in Frankenmuth was developing an open and transparent nominating process. The nominating committee met twice at our recent meeting in Akron. All the persons who had expressed interest in serving the region have been put on the slate for the election at Hueston Woods in February. If all the folks identified agree to stand for election, the committee has produced a full slate.

However, the process is not closed. It is very simple to have a name added to the list for a particular office or committee. If you are volunteering yourself, all you need to do is send an email to Lin Barnett asking to have your name added to the slate. If you want to nominate someone else, it is necessary for you to contact that person for permission. Assuming he/she is agreeable, then send the name to Lin.

We are aware that once the slate is published for our annual meeting, nominations will still be accepted from the floor in the business meeting. However, there may be some advantage to having one's name on the slate in advance. So, don't wait. If you are interested in serving in an elected position, or know someone who is, send that name to Lin Barnett, nominating committee chair at lbarnett@agmc.org. (Note: You can find a listing of the offices and committees of the region elsewhere in this newsletter.)

PEER REVIEW/DATA GATHERING RESPONSE REQUESTED OF STATUS CHANGES MADE AFTER 2002

When did you get here? When were you certified ACPE Supervisor? Are you Retired Active or Inactive? In working on the Peer Review we discovered we do not have dates for when people were certified, moved into the region, or if retired, whether "Active" or "Inactive." If you moved into the region in/or after 2002 or received your ACPE Supervisor certification in 2002 or more recently, or if you retired let us know your status. Please drop Joan Lyke a note giving her the particulars so we can know when to start (or turn off) your clock for peer review. Her email address is hjoanlyke@yahoo.com. Thanks!

CAN APC & ACPE PEER REVIEW BE DONE SIMULTANEOUSLY? Rev. John D. Peterson

It can be done, but requires some preparation and forethought. Here is the information about the interface between our regional Peer Review Guidelines and the Association of Professional Chaplains (APC) Peer Review Standards. This is also relevant for any regional member who is also a Board Certified Chaplain (BCC) or who may hold another membership category in APC, and would like to have a peer review that meets the requirements of both organizations. I found out the hard way that fulfilling our regional requirements does NOT meet the APC requirements. The APC process is more structured in the following ways:

- Peer Review must occur every 5th year; each APC member is assigned a specific year, based on their year of certification. Since I was certified in 1982, I was due in 2007.
- Peer Review is a 90-minute meeting that is to be scheduled in consultation with the State Continuing Education Chair, no later than December 1.
- Requires a minimum of 3 members of the Peer Review Committee; 2 of the members must be

BCC's; and 1 must be appointed by the CE Chair, and is someone "preferably not known by the chaplain being reviewed."

- The reviewee asks one BCC, to chair the meeting.
- Written materials are sent to committee members at least one week in advance of the meeting. The materials include but are not limited to:
 1. Significant areas of strength that make ministry meaningful
 2. Significant challenges
 3. Significant growth
 4. Contribution to meeting regulatory standards
 5. Contribution to the educational and administrative work of the APC
 6. Envisioned contributions to the work of the employing organization and APC
- A Peer Review Report Form (from APC website) is completed by the Chair, and sent to the APC office, no later than December 31.
- The substance of the meeting is confidential and is not shared with APC or others outside the peer review.

With a little bit of preparation and forethought, a meaningful peer review can be arranged that will meet the requirements of both organizations.

John Peterson

CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE DEADLINES

The next opportunity to meet the ECR Certification Committee will be Thursday, February 21, 2008, at the Hueston Woods State Park Lodge, College Corner, OH.

- Application along with the certification fee to meet the committee must be postmarked by Tuesday, January 8, 2008 to: Beth Newton Watson, 327 Melrose Avenue, Greencastle, IN 46135.
- Materials to committee members must be postmarked by Tuesday, January 22, 2008.

Questions/inquiries to: Beth Newton Watson, Certification Co-Chair 317-217-3192; bwatson@clarian.org

Questions/inquiries regarding the National Certification Commission to: Ann Letson, Certification Co-Chair 502-636-8085; ann.letson@nortonhealthcare.org

JOB/EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Saint Joseph HealthCare, Lexington, KY has an immediate opening for an **ACPE Supervisor** in an expanding department, which is a listed satellite of the Hospice of the Bluegrass. St. Joseph HealthCare is a four-hospital system located in central Kentucky. Responsibilities include managing a CPE program, CPE supervision, providing pastoral care to patients, families and staff, with other administrative functions. Qualifications include, but are not limited to, a Master of Divinity degree, or related degree, certification as an associate or Clinical Pastoral Education Supervisor, and ecclesiastical endorsement. Saint Joseph HealthCare offers competitive salary and benefits. Send inquiries or resume to: Director of Pastoral Care, One Saint Joseph Drive Lexington, Kentucky 40504. For additional career opportunities or to view videos about the area and our organization, visit the web site. EOE
<www.saintjosephhealthcare.org/employment>
- Clarian Health Partners Supervisory Education program is seeking a teachable person who longs to be an ACPE Supervisor. If others describe you as nearly culturally competent, intellectually able, emotionally well balanced and usually spiritually centered; there may be a place for you in Indianapolis. We are seeking just such a person to participate in the **ACPE Supervisor-in-Training** program scheduled to begin January 2008. Please apply to: The Rev. Katherine Nininger, %Clarian Health Partners, PO Box 1367, Indianapolis, IN. 46208 <knininger@clarian.org>
- **13th Annual CPE Expo Day, Tuesday, October 23, 2007, at the Methodist Theological School, 3081 Columbus Pike, Delaware, OH 43015.** An E-mail was sent to regional supervisors from Karen Gee, October 2. The E-mail included a letter from Vergel Lattimore, Professor of Pastoral Care & Counseling, schedule for the day, registration form and directions to the event. Contact Karen Gee <kgee@mtso.edu> for questions/and/or to request a copy of the e-mail.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **10/24-27/07**-ACPE Conference, Adolphus Hotel, Dallas, TX.
- **02/22-23/08**- ECR Spring meeting, Hueston Woods State Park Lodge, College Corner, OH.
- **09/12-13/08**-ECR Fall meeting, Harmony, IN. – Elizabeth Price, Program Chair

DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the November 2007 Newsletter is: Wednesday, October 31, 2007. Send electronic copy to: hjoanlyke@yahoo.com or by regular mail: 7672 Cottonwood Lane, Dexter MI 48130. For more information contact: 734-426-5099.

SUPERVISORY EDUCATION IN THE REGION

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Don Chase
Bill Foster
Susan Harthon
Laurie Hearn
Vickie Johnson
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WEB MANAGER- Vacancy

The web site will not be updated on a regular basis. If you are interested or know of someone that may be interested in managing the web site, please contact Cal Brand and Elizabeth Price.

<http://www.ecracpe.org>

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